SimpleK12 Webinar: **Help Students Learn Vocabulary Using a Fun, Free Tool**

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<http://quizlet.com/>

Quizlet.com, created by 15 year old seven years ago. Free, paid version unnecessary

Can be used for variety of study situations, not just vocab, science, math...

Top 10 features:

1. type words, import from spreadsheet, or use someone else's

2. Track students in a class

3. Print flashcards or glossary for your students who don't have internet access, set up learning center

4. Add pictures

5. Embed game in your class website/blog, top fave for students, race against each other!

6. Hold quick, fun competitions, students love to compete with each other, this would really be fun for them.

7. Create self-graded quizzes

8. Prevent cheating by making different quizzes for same vocab.

9. Quizlet also allows access to vocab on mobile apps, like smart phones

10. Test spelling skills (good for primary grades)

Fill in information in all fields, something that allows you to organize your flashcard sets. Title: Geometry Vocab, Optional info could be "math," Make it visible to everyone so all your students can find it. But if you are in the process of working on it can be visible only to you. Not just for English -- tremendous # of languages available. When you type in word, then click on auto-definition, you can pick the one that is closest to what you are looking for. Add as many words as you like.

ADDING PICTURES!!! - Can Add pictures, clock on "Add images" just under "Enter your flash cards" Search for images.

When done, click "Create set." If you don't have a set of words, you can look for someone else's set of words. "Search Definitions."

**How to make a class** (if you would like to organize your work by class). Go to My Friends & Classes, click Create a Class, etc.

When a student is ready to join, they would go to the search box in upper right corner, typing in the name you gave them. For students who don't have internet access, You can print. Pick the vocab list, then print. Can print in various modes, your choice. You may also embed in another platform. Click button that says link or embed, (don't be frightened by the html), copy the info at "flashcards" and paste. Students can learn the definition by listening to the definition, teacher doesn't have to stand at front of room and go over each definition. This would be good for those students who need to hear, or who have visual disability.

**Vocabulary Games**

Space Race - fun way to practice vocab. This could also be used for studying for other tests, say science and notes about different terms.

Scatter - All words spaced out, drag word to match definition (myopic to picture of man with glasses) Could be interactive, let students do this up at the front of the classroom with the SmartBoard. Make it a competition. May create tests online, choose a variety of tests, vocab questions, multiple choice, matching, true/false, etc. To utilize mobile apps, go to the bottom and click mobile, students can link over to the appropriate site. The mobile app: A+ oPr for iPad is regularly $4.99 - it's free for a short time! It uses Quizlet files.

[www.spellingcity.com](http://www.spellingcity.com) they may write sentences. Quizlet does not offer that

[www.vocabulary.com](http://www.vocabulary.com)

[www.dynamo.dictionary.com](http://www.dynamo.dictionary.com)

wordia: Elementary

[www.vocabahead.com](http://www.vocabahead.com) videos

Students do need an account to join a class, however, they can play, they can find your material (if you have made it open to public). But they don't have to have an account.

Are there any open-ended tools where students may create their own sentences?

Have you ever experienced students taking the quiz aspect on Quizlet, where they use a dictionary to find the answer. Answer: No, actually, I print it out. If they are taking it online, then it is usually make up work and I am monitoring them. So, yes, there is nothing to stop them from going into another window, so yes, you would have to monitor them.

If you already have vocab words prepared in another format will Quizlet allow them to be set into flash card format? Yes, go to Import Data and will save what you have already written and put into the form you desire.

<http://quizlet.com/promo/PL-ISTE12-Naugle/> This is the link from Paula - follow the sign up directions from this link and you will get a one year free upgrade to Quizlet Plus - it is working today. I don't know how long this link with remain active.